

1877 - 1898

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Chenowith House

Hillside <sup>Reed</sup> Avenue, Stevenson, Md. 21153

Private Residence

The Chenowith House is a  $2\frac{1}{2}$  story frame cross-gable residence resting on a fieldstone foundation. The Chenowiths bought the property from Reuben Stump in 1885 for \$200. Although the house does not appear on the 1877 Hopkins atlas, it is shown on the 1898 Bromley atlas along with another house and out-buildings. It is now the only remaining structure and is the only example of the Victorian cross-gable style in this area.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Chenowith House

AND/OR COMMON

White Clapboard Tenant House S.D.

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

1403 Hillside Avenue Road

CITY, TOWN

Stevenson

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

2nd

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Baltimore

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

—DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

—STRUCTURE

—SITE

—OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

☒ PUBLIC

—PRIVATE

—BOTH

**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

—IN PROCESS

—BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

☒ OCCUPIED

—UNOCCUPIED

—WORK IN PROGRESS

**ACCESSIBLE**

—YES: RESTRICTED

—YES: UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

**PRESENT USE**

—AGRICULTURE

—COMMERCIAL

—EDUCATIONAL

—ENTERTAINMENT

—GOVERNMENT

—INDUSTRIAL

—MILITARY

—MUSEUM

—PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

—RELIGIOUS

—SCIENTIFIC

—TRANSPORTATION

—OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Unknown

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Baltimore Co. Ct. House

Liber #: 291

Folio #: 590

STREET & NUMBER

Bosley Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Howson, Md. 21204

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

—FEDERAL —STATE —COUNTY —LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION****CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT  
☒ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

☐ UNALTERED  
☒ ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

The Chenowith House is a  $2\frac{1}{2}$  story frame cross-gable residence resting on a fieldstone foundation. It measures three bays wide and one bay deep and has an interior-end chimney. The fenestration has been altered on the first level of the main facade, otherwise the windows contain 6/6 sashes and are evenly placed. There is a single story shed roof porch and the exterior walls are covered with aluminum siding.

The interior was not examined.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1877 - 1898

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The 1898 and 1915 Bromley atlases indicate one acre of land belonging to "Chenowith" upon which this frame house stood. Although two houses and outbuildings were shown, this house is all that remains.

The Chenowiths bought the property from Reuben Stump in 1885 for \$200. Based on early tax assessment records for this area, \$200 per unimproved acre is unlikely. Therefore it is possible the house existed prior to the 1885 sale.

This frame structure is a good example of the Victorian cross-gable style and is the only one existing in this area.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Hopkins' Atlas of Baltimore County, Maryland, 1877.

Bromley's Atlas of the City and County of Baltimore, Md., 1898, 1915

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

See title search, attached

**LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES**

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Darlene Owings Schultz

ORGANIZATION

The Valleys Planning Council

DATE

4/23/81

STREET & NUMBER

212 Washington Ave.

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Towson

STATE

Md.

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TITLE SEARCH  
Chenowith House

<u>Liber</u>	<u>Folio</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Grantor</u>	<u>Grantee</u>
291	590	Nov. 10, 1905	John R. Chenowith	Elizabeth G. Whitridge
Beginning in the middle of a county road lying South and nearly parellel with Green Spring Branch of the Northern Central Rail Road at a point West of Green Spring Ave. at the end of the 2nd line of a lot conveyed by deed 77/289				
144	273	Feb. 28, 1885	William S. Stump	John R. Chenowith
One acre of land for \$200.				

This house appears on the 1898 and 1915 Bromley Atlases belonging to "Chenowith". Another house and outbuildings are also indicated but do not presently exist. This house is not indicated on the 1877 Hopkins Atlas.



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North

Branch Road

Stevenson Road

Green Falls

Steve

Camp Milldale

Canterbury Estates

Long Meadows Estates

Pikesville Reservoir

Woodholme Golf Course

Gramwood

Slaughterhouse

Dumbarton

PIKESVILLE

Villa Julia Jr College

Green Spring Golf Course

Chattalones

ABANDONED Eccleston

Glenmar

Stone Chapel

St. Mary's Monastery

(WCAO)

Cem. Rd. Cemetery

WESTERN HAVEN





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N. Facade

D. Schultz

4/81

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